The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners held a budget public hearing on Wednesday, June 25, 2014, at 6:30pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Larry Cox, Vice-Chair Tom Smith, Commissioner Larry Davis, Commissioner Goudreau, Commissioner Karen Leys, County Manager Don Adams, and Clerk to the Board Karen Evans.

Chair Cox declared the public hearing open on the FY 2014/15 budget and asked for public comments.

Harry Speaks talked about Alleghany Memorial Hospital and his experience with them during the past 5 years along with his experiences with other hospitals in the area including information about his medical conditions. He said he has been to a number of hospitals and the nursing care is better here than other places. He talked about Alleghany Memorial Hospital, and they are getting specialists. He reiterated he has been in 5 hospitals in 5 years and the nursing service at Alleghany Memorial is the best. He talked about he had to use the common shower last time he was in the Alleghany Memorial. He said you don't realize when you are going to need a Hospital. He asked if EMS will take you anywhere. The County Manager answered no. He said we need this hospital, and we will all need a hospital sooner or later. He further said people need to consider they are getting specialists and has the best nursing care.

Chair Cox asked for further comments. None were received.

Chair Cox closed the public hearing at 6:42pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Evans Clerk to the Board

Attest:

Larry Cox Chairman